

Public Notice Regarding Joint Commission Accreditation

Tift Regional Medical Center and Southwell Medical awarded Hospital Accreditation and Hospice of Tift Area awarded Home Care Accreditation from The Joint Commission

Tift Regional Health System, Inc. d/b/a Tift Regional Medical Center, Southwell Medical, a campus of Tift Regional Medical Center, and Hospice of Tift Area have earned The Joint Commission's Gold Seal of Approval® for Hospital and Home Care Accreditation by demonstrating continuous compliance with its performance standards. The Gold Seal is a symbol of quality that reflects a health care organization's commitment to providing safe and quality patient care.

Tift Regional Medical Center, Southwell Medical and Hospice of Tift Area underwent a rigorous, unannounced onsite review, during which, a team of surveyors from The Joint Commission evaluated compliance with standards spanning multiple subject areas of both the Hospital and Home Care manual accreditation standards. Topics reviewed included; but were not limited to, Emergency Management, Environment of Care, Infection Prevention and Control, Leadership, Medication Management, Life Safety, Provision of Care, and Rights and Responsibilities of the Individual.

The Joint Commission's standards are developed in consultation with healthcare experts and providers, measurement experts and patients. They are informed by scientific literature and expert consensus to help healthcare organizations measure, assess and improve performance. As part of the survey process, the surveyors conducted onsite observations and/or interviews with staff, providers and patients.

"As a private accreditor, The Joint Commission surveys healthcare organizations to protect the public by identifying deficiencies in care and working with those organizations to correct them as quickly and sustainably as possible," says Mark Pelletier, RN, MS, Chief Operating Officer, Accreditation and Certification Operations, and Chief Nursing Executive, The Joint Commission. "We commend Tift Regional Medical Center, Southwell Medical and Hospice of Tift Area for their continuous quality improvement efforts in patient safety and quality of care."

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